FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.146**

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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AUTHOR: Senator Campsen PRIMARY CODE CITE: 20-3-240

SUBJECT: Family Court Financial Privacy Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill would enact the "Family Court Financial Privacy Act" to provide that a financial declaration made a part of the record in a matter before the family court must be sealed, provides access to a financial declaration upon the request only by the parties, the court and personnel of the court, and the Child Support Enforcement Division of the Department of Social Services and exempts financial declarations in matter before the family court except on order of the court for good cause shown.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Social Services

The Department indicates that this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

<u>Judicial Department</u>

The Department indicates this Bill would have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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